

REMARKS

Claims 1-36 and 41 are pending in the instant application.

ELECTION/RESTRICTIONS

The Examiner indicates that restriction to one invention is required under 35 U.S.C. 121.

In response, Applicant elects claims 1-36 and 41.

The Examiner further indicates that Applicant is required to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable.

For this purpose, Applicant elects claims 2 and 22 for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable.


CONCLUSION

In light of the above arguments and amendments, Applicant respectfully asserts that all grounds for rejection and objection have been avoided and/or traversed. The Examiner is therefore respectfully requested to reconsider the application and allow the remaining claims.

Should the Examiner believe that prosecution of this application might be expedited by further discussion of the issues, he is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney for Applicant at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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